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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant for Plans and Development, NPIC

SUBJECT: Comments Concerning the Information Material
Handling System Program

REFERENCE: NPIC/P&DS 370-65

1. Because of the short deadline (1400, 13 October 1965 to 1600, 14 October 1965) attached to the reply, this paper has not received the study and consideration that I feel it should within TID. However, the following comments are forwarded for your consideration:

a. Does this paper reflect the coordinated agreement of the divisions and staffs of NPIC, in particular that of IPD? Because this is such an important area of development to NPIC, actions taken will, in one way or another, affect each activity of the Center I feel strongly that we must have a coordinated and agreed upon approach within NPIC before we go out to explain to a contractor what it is we want done.

b. I would not like to see a paper of this nature leave the Center until the objectives of the study are clearly understood by each division and staff. I realize there is a need for expedience but moving too quickly can cause delays and confusion in the long run.

c. How does this paper tie, or reflect IPD's proposal for a "similar" contract and study with

d. A quick look at the paper leaves me with the impression that it is rather vague, but at the same time I realize that it is dealing with what one may call a vague area of study.

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e. I would like to offer for your consideration that a group of senior technical representatives of the divisions and staffs of NPIC review this paper with you or members of your staff to assure understanding of the objectives. This program is too large to be a single division or staff concept.

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Chief, Technical Intelligence Division, NPIC

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